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**STATUS INQUIRY**

Gentlemen:

Please advise as to the status of the above-identified patent application.

Almost 2 years have passed since Applicants filed a Petition for Withdrawal of Abandonment in this application.

Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully requests the current status of the above-identified patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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